

Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	09/821,370	BEACH ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Sebastiano Passaniti	3711	

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Amendment received 07/28/2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-25 and 31-60.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 3/29/01(Figs 1-3, 5-8); 4/8/03(Fig. 4) are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
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of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |


Sebastiano Passaniti
Primary Examiner

DETAILED ACTION

This Office action is responsive to communication received 07/28/2005 –
Amendment.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Claims 1-25 are allowable over the prior art references of record for the reasons set forth in the last Office action, mailed 04/25/2005. Similarly, newly introduced claims are allowable over the prior art references of record because it would not have been obvious to modify the prior art devices of record to include the specific, claimed rotational moment of inertia about the toe/heel axis with its relation to the cubhead volume as set forth by the claimed equation.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Drawings

The corrected drawing for Figure 4 was received on 04/08/2003, with the marked-up copy received 12/02/2003. These drawings are acceptable to the examiner.

Further Comments

The amendment received 07/28/2005 includes the incorrect application serial number as part of the header on each page of the amendment. It is simply being noted

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here that the amendment belongs with application serial number 09/821,370.

Applicant's cover sheet and transmittal include the correct application serial number.

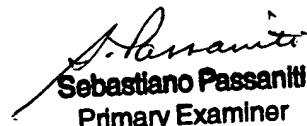
Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sebastiano Passaniti whose telephone number is 571-272-4413. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday (6:30AM - 3:00PM).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Greg Vidovich can be reached on 571-272-4415. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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August 22, 2005


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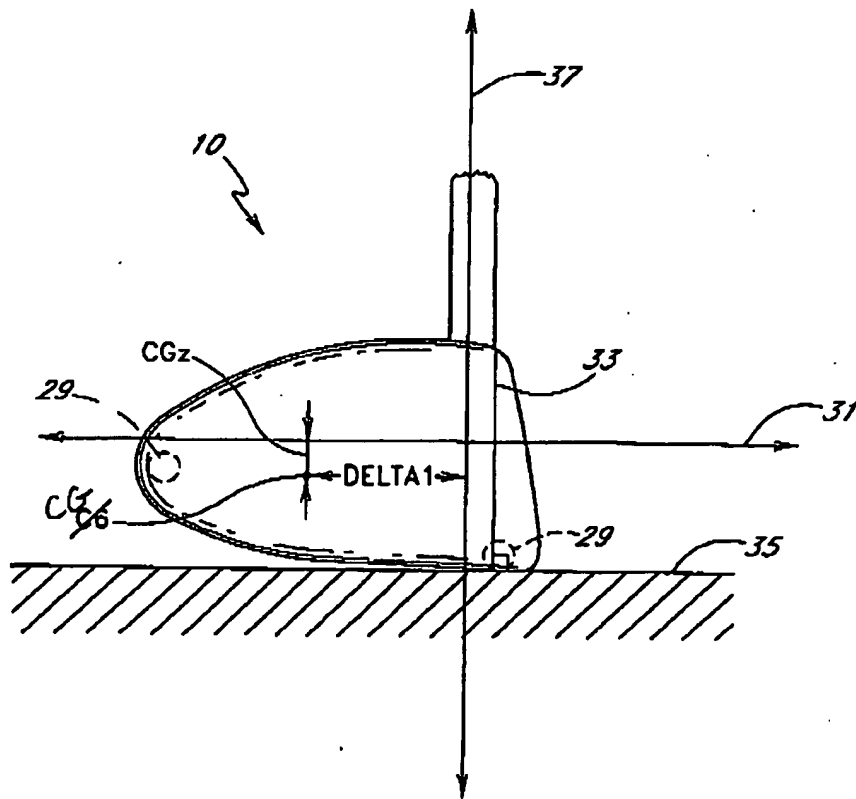


FIG. 4

CHANGES APPROVED 08/22/05 (SP)